

Barthage Jefferson County N. Y.
May ^{the} 26 1847.

Dear and dear Father.

Your letter of the 11 instant came to hand today, I am glad to hear that you have been favorable in purchasing the site for your homestead at Indianapolis.

I had a very favorable voyage being blessed with fine weather nothing occurred during my journey worthy of notice.

I have taken my parents to my care, they did not imagine that I would come so soon; they are all enjoying good health, and send their best respects to you.

I am aware of your misfortune, how happy you must be in performing the exercises of the month of Mary at the foot of the venerable statue on the island.

As you mentioned the necessity you labored under for money to liquidate the debt which you recently contracted. I wish to inform you that instead of I being in your debt, after a close research you will see that you are in my debt for work at your University. I have worked at shoemaking for four months two months before I commenced school and the same time during vacation. Afterwards I kept your shop and books for ten months for which I shall demand wages. Also you have employed me as sacristan for two years and in like manner to take care of the lamps and light the candles night and morning in the dormitories and in the chapel, this also you must allow me something for.

Your affectionate son
M. Clark

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